

IN THE ABSTRACT:

On page 21 and continuing on page 22 of the English language translation of the specification, please replace the Abstract of the specification with the following Abstract:

A constant velocity ~~fixed~~ joint in the form of a fixed joint with the following characteristics: ~~having~~ an outer joint part (12) which comprises a longitudinal axis as well as an attaching end and an aperture end positioned axially opposite one another, and which is provided with outer ball tracks (22₁, 22₂)[[;]], an inner joint part (13) which comprises a longitudinal axis L13 and attaching means for a shaft pointing towards the aperture end of the outer joint part 12 and which is provided with inner ball tracks (23₁, 23₂)[[;]], the outer ball tracks and the inner ball tracks form ~~forming~~ pairs of tracks (21₁, 23₁; 22₂, 23₂)[[;]], the pairs of tracks each accommodate a torque transmitting ball (14₁, 14₂)[[;]]. ~~each~~ Each two adjoining pairs of tracks comprise outer ball tracks 22₁, 22₂ whose centre ~~with center~~ lines are positioned in planes E1, E2 which extend ~~extending~~ substantially parallel relative to one another, as well as inner ball tracks 23₁, 23₂ whose centre ~~with center~~ lines are positioned in planes E1', E2' which extend ~~extending~~ substantially parallel relative to one another[[;]]. ~~an~~ An annular ball cage (16) is positioned between the outer joint part (12) and the inner joint part (13), and comprises circumferentially distributed cage windows 17 which each accommodate the torque transmitting balls 14₁, 14₂ of two of said adjoining pairs of tracks 22₁, 23₁; 22₂, 23₂; in In an aligned joint, the centres K₁, K₂ ~~centers~~ of the balls 14₁, 14₂ are held by the ball cage 16 in the joint centre ~~center~~ plane and when the joint is articulated, they are guided onto the angle-bisecting plane between the longitudinal axes[[;]]. ~~the~~ The track cross-sections of the outer ball tracks 22₁, 22₂ and of the inner ball tracks 23₁, 23₂ of each pair of tracks are symmetrical relative to the axes of symmetry ES₁, ES₂ which, together with the planes E1, E2, E1', E2', form identically sized angles opening in opposite directions, and each comprise a common point.

Figure 1a